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Operable Unit No. 2 Schedule

Sue Stiger, Associate General Manager Environmental Restoration Management EG&G Rocky Flats, Inc.

 We are concerned about the extremely conservative schedule for the Operable Unit (OU) No. 2 (903 Pad, Mound, and East Trenches) Interagency Agreement Milestones. In particular, the most recent schedule for the Draft RCRA Facility Investigation/Remedial Investigation (RFI/RI) Report is excessively long. The OU 2 schedule submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) on May 6, 1994, was to be revised to achieve a shorter schedule and resubmitted (as agreed in the May 10 and June 24, 1994, meetings with EPA and CDPHE). However, the revised schedule for the Draft RFI/RI Report - increased by over six months rather than decreasing. The May 6 proposed milestone for the Draft RFI/RI Report was June 28, 1995. Your July 1, 1994 (by letter: SGS-389-94), schedule shows a date of November 28, 1995. Your latest schedule dated July 14, 1994 (SGS-406), has a May 30, 1995, submittal date for the Draft RFI/RI Report. This is unacceptable and does not reflect a bias for action and progress in cleanup.

Improvement in the schedule was to be realized due to a better understanding of what was required to perform the EPA Baseline Risk Assessment (the May 6 schedule assumptions assumed more work than necessary) and efforts to streamline the subject report. I expect you to complete the Draft RFI/RI Report sooner than May 1995.

The Draft RFI/RI Report is complete, except for the finalization of the Ecological Evaluation, the CDPHE Conservative Screen, and the EPA Baseline Risk Assessment. A review of the schedule logic indicates that the Draft RFI/RI Report can be prepared much sooner.

Finally, we point out that your proposed milestones for the Submittal of the Final CMS/FS and the Draft Proposed Plan (PP) are the same, when it was agreed with EPA and CDPHE that submittal of the PP would be two weeks after the Final CMS/FS.

Please develop a final version of the OU 2 overall schedule by August 5, 1994. My staff are available to discuss schedule assumptions and how we can support your efforts. We wish to have schedule milestones that are attainable, but also push forward aggressively toward cleanup at the Rocky Flats Site.

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